

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's Office Action September 20, 2007 the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying terminal disclaimer and Amendment of the claims, and the below Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:
independent claim 1 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of dependent claim 2;
dependent claims 2 and 4 are cancelled;
dependent claim 3 is amended to depend from amended claim 1;
independent claim 5 is amended to incorporate subject matter corresponding to that of claim 2; and
dependent claims 6-17 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application.

Regarding Non-Statutory Double Patenting Rejections

With respect to the Examiner's provisional non-statutory double patenting rejections of claims 1-17 over claims 1-18 and 20 of copending Application No. 10/727,158, the Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c); the present application and Application No. 10/727,158 being commonly owned by the Applicant.

Regarding Claim Objections

It is respectfully submitted that pending (and amended) claim 1 does not recite "a step of including" as asserted by the Examiner, rather "including the step of" is properly recited.

Further, the Examiner is respectfully reminded that claims are not objectionable due to use of British English spelling, as per MPEP §608.01.

Regarding 35 USC 112, first paragraph Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claims 1 and 5, and dependent claims 3 and 6-17, is fully enabled and described at paragraphs [4628]-[4787].

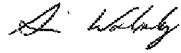
Regarding 35 USC 102(e) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claims 1 and 5, and dependent claims 3 and 6-17, is not disclosed by Sormunen et al. (US 2003/0014663), because unlike the claimed invention in which the loaded intermediate program enables the running of unverified code on the integrated circuit, Sormunen specifically discloses that the other programs PG1-PG3 are verified before being run (see paragraphs [0034] and [0037]).

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections and rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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